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For: VACCINES AND AGENTS FOR INDUCING IMMUNITY IN FISH AGAINST RICKETTSIAL DISEASES, AND ASSOCIATED PREVENTATIVE THERAPY

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\boxtimes	3 pages of an Oath or Declaration
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STATEMENT ACCOMPANYING CONTINUATION APPLICATION

This is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/677,374, filed September 15, 2004. The filing of this application is to cover at least one of the inventions disclosed. Applicants reserve the right to seek additional claims, including the right to continue the prosecution of all the claims that are pending in U.S. Application No. 09/677,374, in other continuing applications.

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